## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1.-10. (Canceled)

- 11. (Currently Amended): A thermoplastic resin composition (Y) comprising the following (A) to (C):
- (A) 20 to 64.9 wt% of an ethylene copolymer comprising (A-1) an ethylene/ $\alpha$ -olefin copolymer comprising ethylene and C3 to C10  $\alpha$ -olefin and (A-2) an ethylene polymer other than (A-1) in such a ratio that (A-1)/(A-2) is 20/80 to 100/0 by weight,
  - (B) 35 to 70 wt% of a metal hydroxide, and
  - (C) 0.1 to 30 wt% of a graft-modified ethylene polymer,

wherein the ethylene/ $\alpha$ -olefin copolymer (A-1) has the following properties:

- (i) a density (ASTM D1505, 23°C) in the range of 857 to 890 kg/m<sup>3</sup>,
- (ii) a melt flow rate (MFR<sub>2</sub>) (ASTM D1238, loading 2.16 kg, 190°C) under a loading of 2.16 kg at 190°C in the range of 0.1 to 100 g/10 min., and
- (iii) an index (Mw/Mn) of molecular-weight distribution evaluated by GPC in the range of 1.5 to 3.5 and

the graft-modified ethylene polymer (C) is a graft-modified product of unsaturated carboxylic acid or a derivative thereof wherein the amount of the graft is 0.01 to 10 wt%, and the ethylene polymer before modification of the graft-modified ethylene polymer is an

ethylene/ $\alpha$ -olefin copolymer comprising ethylene and C3 to C10  $\alpha$ -olefin, and the ethylene polymer before modification has the following properties:

- (i) a density (ASTM D1505, 23°C) in the range of 857 to 890 kg/m<sup>3</sup>,
- (ii) a melt flow rate (MFR<sub>2</sub>) (ASTM D1238, loading 2.16 kg, 190°C) under a loading of 2.16 kg at 190°C in the range of 0.1 to 20 g/10 min., and
- (iii) an index (Mw/Mn) of molecular-weight distribution evaluated by GPC in the range of 1.5 to 3.5.
  - 12. (Canceled).
- 13. (Previously Presented): A molded product comprising the thermoplastic resin composition (Y) according to claim 11.
- 14. (Previously Presented): The molded product according to claim 13 wherein the molded product is an insulating material for electric wires.
- 15. (Previously Presented): The molded product according to claim 13 wherein the molded product is a sheath for electric wires.
  - 16. (Currently Amended): A polymer composition (Z) comprising:
- (AA) 100 parts by weight of at least one <u>thermoplastic</u> polymer selected from a thermoplastic polymer (aa1) and a or at least one thermosetting polymer (aa2),
  - (BB) 50 to 250 parts by weight of a metal hydroxide,
  - (E) 0.1 to 40 parts by weight of a triazine ring containing compound, and

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- (F) 0.1 to 40 parts by weight of a polyhydric alcohol wherein the amounts of (BB), (E) and (F) are based on 100 parts by weight of (AA).
- 17. (Previously Presented): The polymer composition (Z) according to claim 16, wherein the thermoplastic polymer (aa1) is an ethylene polymer.
- 18. (Currently Amended): The polymer composition (Z) according to claim [[20]]

  16, wherein the weight ratio of the polyhydric alcohol (F) to the triazine ring containing

  compound (E) is in the range of the following relationship (1):

$$(F)/(E) \ge 1$$
 (1).

- 19. (Previously Presented): A molded product comprising the polymer composition (Z) according to claim 16.
- 20. (Previously Presented): The molded product according to claim 19 wherein the molded product is an insulating material for electric wires.
- 21. (Previously Presented): The molded product according to claim 19 wherein the molded product is a sheath for electric wires.